

# The **HUMAN COST** of *Scientology*

The danger of Scientology isn't just that it will take your money for useless, scientifically unproven courses. Sometimes, Scientology procedures and philosophies result in deaths that wouldn't otherwise happen. Here are a few of these suspicious deaths. For more information, check the websites at the bottom of this page.

- Josephus Havenith** On Feb 20 1980, Josephus Havenith died in a bathtub full of water at the Scientology-owned Fort Harrison Hotel (in Clearwater, Florida - one of the major Scientology organizations worldwide). The water was so hot it burned his skin off. His autopsy listed the cause of death as "probable drowning", but his head was above the water.
- Quentin Hubbard** On Nov 12 1976, Quentin Hubbard (the son of L. Ron Hubbard, the "Source" of Scientology) died in hospital. He had been found on the morning of Oct 28 in a running car with the windows rolled up, and a vacuum cleaner tube running from the exhaust pipe. Note: Quentin Hubbard was allegedly gay. In Scientology, homosexuality is considered a subhuman perversion. L. Ron Hubbard's reaction upon hearing of his son's death was, "That stupid f\*\*king kid! That stupid f\*\*king kid! Look what he's done to me!" (Source: "Bare Faced Messiah" by Russell Miller, Chapter 20, P. 344)
- Noah Lottick** On May 11 1990, Noah Lottick jumped from a 10th-floor window in New York City, clutching \$171, nearly all the money he had left. Before he killed himself, he had paid Scientology more than \$5000 for "counseling".
- Lisa McPherson** On Dec 5 1995 Lisa McPherson was Dead On Arrival at a hospital north of Clearwater, Florida. She had previously been at the Fort Harrison Hotel in Clearwater, Florida. She was taken to the fourth-closest hospital to the Fort Harrison Hotel, the one with a Scientologist doctor (who was suspended for a year for prescribing drugs to Lisa McPherson without examining her). She had cockroach bites on her arms, and according to the medical examiner had been without water for at least 5 days. When she died, Lisa McPherson was 5-foot-9 and weighed 108 pounds. She paid \$97,000 for Scientology courses before she died. Criminal charges against a Florida Scientology corporation concerning the manner of her death were dropped. A civil case against that Scientology corporation is proceeding.
- See <http://www.lisamcpherson.org> for more details about Lisa McPherson's death.
- Susan Meister** On June 25 1971 Susan Meister died in a cabin on the Apollo, a ship owned by Scientology that was Ron Hubbard's headquarters. Susan Meister died of a bullet wound in her forehead, supposedly inflicted by suicide with a long handled revolver. There were no powder burns on her forehead, which would have been the case had the gun been against her forehead, as it would have had to have been for her to shoot herself with it.
- Heribert Pfaff** On Aug 28 1988, Heribert Pfaff died in the night from a grand mal epileptic seizure (again at the Fort Harrison Hotel). His doctor (a Scientologist) prescribed him vitamins instead of anti-convulsant drugs. Note: Mr. Pfaff had been taken off his epilepsy medication by Scientology when he entered the organization, because people taking any kind of drug aren't allowed to take Scientology "processing".
- Margarit Winkelmann** In January 1980 Margarit Winkelmann walked fully clothed into Clearwater Bay and drowned herself. She had stopped taking Lithium and started taking vitamins and minerals that Scientology suggested she take.
- Patrice Vic** On March 24 1988, Patrice Vic jumped through the window of the room where his sons were sleeping. "Don't keep me, it's the only solution," he told his wife, who was trying to stop him. Before his death, Scientology was pressuring him to borrow 30,000 francs (\$6000 US) for Scientology's scientifically unproven Purification Rundown. The following morning, the Scientologist who was pressuring Mr. Vic called to make the arrangements, he was told of Mr. Vic's suicide. His answer was "Ah, le con." That's French for "the bastard". Six French Scientologists were convicted on charges relating to Patrice Vic's death, ranging from involuntary homicide to fraud to illegally practicing medicine.

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<http://www.xenu.net>

<http://xenu.ca>

<http://www.b-org.demon.nl>

<http://www.xenu-city.net>